

SPECIFICATION AMENDMENTS

On page 1, please amend the paragraph beginning on line 4, as follows:

The present application is related to commonly assigned copending application Serial No. 09/784,498, entitled IP Packet Access Gateway, filed on even date with the present application.

On page 13, please amend the paragraph beginning on line 18, as follows:

In step 1, the originating ~~AG~~ gateway 130 sends an IPDC connection request message (RCCP) to the originating call control entity 134, and the originating call control entity returns an IPDC message (ACCP) acknowledging receipt of the RCCP request. Note that the connection request message will include a port number (AG1VoIP) that the originating gateway 130 intends to use for the connection. In step 2, the originating call control entity 134 sends an H.248 message (Add(term1, AG1VoIP)/Add(term2)) to the originating trunk-side IP PAG 132. This message requests the originating trunk-side IP PAG 132 to add a pair of connection terminations, one (term1) for a connection to the originating gateway 130 (at its port number AG1VoIP) and the other (term2) for a connection to the terminating trunk-side IP-PAG 142. In step 3, the originating trunk-side IP PAG 132 sends an H.248 reply message (AddAck(PAG1VoIP1)/AddAck(PAG1VoIP2)) back to the originating call control entity 134 acknowledging that it has established the two requested first and second terminations and advising that they will be respectively handled by its port numbers PAG1VoIP1 and PAG1VoIP2.

On page 15, please amend the paragraph beginning on line 14, as follows:

In step 10, the originating call control entity 134 sends a BICC message (BICC:APM) to the terminating call control entity 144 to acknowledge receipt of the BICC:APM message sent in

step 7a. In step 11, the terminating call control entity sends a BICC message (BICC:ACM) to the originating call control entity. In step 12, an IPDC notify message (NCAS) is sent from the terminating gateway 140 to the terminating call control entity 144 to informing that the called party has answered the call. In step 13, the terminating call control entity sends a BICC message (BICC:ANM) to the originating call control entity 134. At this point the bearer path is established and ready for bearer traffic.